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Situation Report - September 24, 2006 September 22-23, 2006 and continuing Severe Storms, Flooding events Updated Information is bolded

A series of storms swept across Missouri on Friday, Sept 22, 2006 causing damages in Phelps, Madison, Perry, St. Francois, Iron and Crawford Counties. Southeast Missouri experienced up to 12 inches of rain and flash flooding in New Madrid, Ripley and Butler Counties. The NWS predicts the next storm system will occur mid-week.

No fatalities and ten injuries have been reported.

Governor Matt Blunt signed an executive order on Saturday 23, 2006, which frees up state agency resources to assist local government disaster response. SEMA has been in contact with the US Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region VII office in Kansas City. As early as Monday, Federal /State/Local Joint Damage Assessment teams will begin in Phelps, Madison, Perry, Iron and New Madrid Counties. The teams will then move to the other impacted counties.

SEMA will set up a conference call at 10 a.m. Monday with State, Local and volunteer officials

Storm Damage Reports:

Phelps County: City of St. James 6 homes destroyed, 16 with major damages, 127 with minor damages, 38 affected. 4 multi-family dwellings had major damages, 6 had minor damages. The St. James Middle School gymnasium roof was destroyed. Local officials reported several businesses also sustained damages. Three people were injured.

<u>Madison County</u>: Mine La Motte 1 home destroyed, 5 with major damages, 2 with moderate damages, 14 with minor damages, Mobile homes: 6 destroyed, 6 with major damages, 1 with moderate damages, and 16 with minor damages. The Mine La Motte School had extensive damages. One person in a mobile home suffered major injuries. **Rural areas reported 1 home with moderate and 4 with minor damages.**

Perry County: Local authorities closed access to Crosstown where 52 homes were destroyed, 10 had major damages, 21 with minor damages, Mobile Homes: 10 destroyed, 7 with major damages and 2 with minor damages. One church destroyed, two churches with major damages. The Perry County Hospital treated six injured people. The ARC is providing housing vouchers to 20 families. They are operating four mobile and one fixed feeding operation.

Crawford County: Leesburg reported 6 homes with major damage, 6 with minor damage.

<u>Iron County</u>: Reported 8 homes destroyed, 4 with major damages, 9 with moderate damages and 5 with minor damages; 1 mobile home destroyed and 4 with major damages. An apartment building was also damaged.

Reynolds County: Black - 1 building destroyed.

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St. Francois County: Officials reported three buildings destroyed

Washington County: Richwoods - 1 building damaged. Possible damages near Belgrade.

<u>Howell County:</u> Mountain View sustained power outages and downed trees. Oregon County: reported power outages in rural areas and downed trees.

Shannon County: reported power outages and downed trees.

Flooding Reports:

Butler County: Neelyville had flash flooding and conducted sandbagging operations.

<u>New Madrid County</u>: Lilbourn reported 12 people evacuated. Portageville 30 homes damaged by flooding, 10 homes damaged by high winds. The city is conducted sandbagging and pumping operations. **Marston reported flash flooding**.

Ripley County: Naylor evacuated 20 people from a Senior Housing Center.

<u>Dunklin County:</u> Campbell evacuated 25 families.

State Agency assistance:

<u>SEMA</u> staff are manning the SEOC and traveling to numerous locations working with local officials on damage assessments. <u>SEMA Staff will begin conducting Federal/State/Local damages assessments</u> Monday. On Saturday, SEMA contacted the following counties for damage information: Carter, Wayne, Bollinger, Pemiscot, Dent, Stoddard, Ste. Genevieve, Pulaski, Maries, Gasconade, Franklin, Jefferson. Those counties will be contacted again on Monday to talk with Presiding Commissioners.

Mo Dept of Transportation hauled sand for sandbagging operation.

<u>Missouri State Highway Patrol</u>: provided security in St James at the request of local law enforcement officials. A curfew remains in effect in St. James.

<u>Mo Dept of Health & Senior Services:</u> Assisted Madison Public Health with disaster response. The Division of Disability and Senior Services is contacted storm impacted clients to assess needs. Long-Term care staff checked on facilities. Environmental staff assessing needs of restaurants, grocery stores, etc. An environmental team is on stand-by to local staff.

Federal Assistance:

FEMA: is sending Damage Assessment teams to the begin touring Missouri counties impacted by storms.

Corps of Engineers: sending sandbags to Ripley and New Madrid Counties. Sending pumps to New Madrid County.

Volunteer Organizations:

American Red Cross is operating shelters and conducting damage assessments in numerous counties. **Salvation Army** is providing assistance in St. James (Phelps County)

AmeriCorps is providing tarping, chain saw/debris removal crews working in St James (Phelps County) and Madison County.

United Methodist: skid loader crews working with AmeriCorps crews in St. James

The SEOC will be staffed from 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. on September 24, 2006.

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